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1. THE ITALIAN COMMUNIST PARTY (PCI) DAILY 1"UNITA" ON
JUNE 11 CARRIES COMMENTS MADE BY PCI SECRETARIAT MEMBER
GIAN CARLO PAJETTA PRIOR TO DEPARTING FROM NEW YORK WHERE
HE SERVED AS A PARLIAMENTARY MEMBER OF THE ITALIAN DELE-
GATION TO THE UNITED NATIONS SPECIAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY
SESSION ON DISARMAMENT. THERER FOLLOWS AN EMBASSY TRANS-
LATION OF THE MOST IMPORTANT PORTION OF PAJETTA'S COMMENTS.

2. BEGIN QUOTE. I THINK THAT IT IS NOT A BAD THING THAT
THE FIRST EXPERIMENT MADE BY A DELEGATION IN CONNECTION
WITH SUCH AN IMPORTANT ASSEMBLY AS THE ONE OF THE UNITED
NATIONS ON DISARMAMENT, COMPOSED NOT ONLYOF MEMBERS OF
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THE GOVERNMENT AND DIPLOMATS BUT ALSO OF MEMBERS OF PARLIA-
MENT, CONCIDED WITH A DIFFICULY PERIOD NOT WITHOUT
TENSIONS. THE FIRST PROBLEM AT LEAST FOR US ITALIANS WAS
TO PUT TO THE TEST WITH REGARD TO FOREIGN POLICY ISSUES,
THE NEW MAJORITY (I.E. ONE INCLUDING THE COMMUNIST PARTY),
AND THE RELATIONS BETWEEN THIS MAJORITY
AND THE ONE PARTY GOVERNMENT. IT SEEMS TO ME THAT ONE CAN

SAY THAT THE MAJORITY PASSED THE TEST. NOT ONLY NO DIFFERENCE
Arose BUT WE WORKED TOGETHER AND I BELIEVE NOT
IN VAIN. WE WORKED WITH A MUTUAL SPIRIT OF COOPERATION
WITH THE DIPLOMATS WHO REPRESENT US AT THE UNITED NATIONS.
WE HAVE REGARDED WITH FAVOR THE GOVERNMENTS ATTITUDE. WE
WENT AS FAR AS THE UNITED NATIONS HEADQUARTERS ALSO TO
SEE WHETHER OUR MONTECITORIO (CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES) AND
PAWLAZO MADAMA (SENATE) EXPERIMENT WORKS. I AM RETURNING
TO ITALY HOPING THAT WE SHALL BE ABLE TO WORK WITH THE
SAME PACE AND THE SAME SPIRIT OF (MUTAL) UNDERSTANDING
THAT THERE HAS BEEN BETWEEN ITALIANS IN NEW YORK. END QUOTE.

3. COMMENT. PAJETTAS LATEST STATEMENT IN NEW YORK AS
WELL AS HIS EARLIER REMARKS AND HIS CONDUCT, INDICATE THE
DEGREE TO WHICH THE PCI IS SEEKING TO DEMONSTRATE THAT ITS
MEMBERSHIP IN THE PARLIAMENTARY MAJORITY CARRIES WITH IT
A ROLE IN THE ITALIAN FOREIGN POLICY DECISION MAKING PROCESS.
END COMMENT. HOLMES.

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